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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6607

BILL NUMBER: HB 1233

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 9, 2009

BILL AMENDED: Feb 9, 2009

SUBJECT: Study of Ethanol.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Moses

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill requires the Regulatory Flexibility Committee to study topics concerning the production and use of ethanol.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) *Summary* - This bill requires the Regulatory Flexibility Committee to study various topics related to the production and use of ethanol. The Committee is also required to prepare a report on their recommendations concerning these topics to the Legislative Council.

Background Information - The Regulatory Flexibility Committee will study the following topics:

- (1) local, state, and federal subsidies and incentives;
- (2) the effect of ethanol production on prices for agricultural commodities, food, and fuel;
- (3) the effect of ethanol production on job creation, local economies in Indiana, and the Indiana economy;
- (4) the effect of ethanol use and production on the environment;
- (5) the availability and use of ethanol and ethanol fueling stations in Indiana;
- (6) the outlook for the construction and operation of ethanol production facilities in the financial and credit markets;
- (7) and any other topic considered relevant to understanding the implications of the production and use of ethanol in Indiana.

The Regulatory Flexibility Committee was established to monitor changes in the telecommunications and energy utility industries. The committee includes members of a House and a Senate standing committee

deemed appropriate to study the topics assigned to the Regulatory Flexibility Committee. Reports are provided to the Legislative Council regarding the topics studied and the committee's recommendations.

The budget for the Regulatory Flexibility Committee is set by the Legislative Council. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for the Regulatory Flexibility Committee in the amount of \$16,500, and it is not estimated that this bill would require an increase in that budget for the committee.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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